THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

(TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Friday, July 30, 1965.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at three of the clock, Mr. Chairman (THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU) in the Chair.

I.—EXPRESSION OF SORROW AT THE DEMISE OF MR. W.K.M. LANGLEY AND DR. P. J. THOMAS, FORMER MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND SRI V. C. PALANISWAMY GOUNDER, FORMER MINISTER OF MADRAS STATE.

MR. CHAIRMAN : It is my painful duty to inform the House of the death of Mr. W. K. M. Langley, former Member of the Legislative Council, Sri V. C. Palaniswamy Gounder, former Minister of Madras State and Dr. P. J. Thomas, former Member of the Madras Legislative Council.

Mr. W. K. M. Langley, former Member of the Madras Legislative Council from 1932–37 passed away on 9th April 1965. He was also a member of the Madras Legislative Assembly elected from the Planters' Constituency during 1937–39.

Sri V. C. Palaniswamy Gounder, a former Member of the Madras Legislative Assembly, representing Thondamuttur Assembly Constituency, and a former Minister in this State from 1952—54 passed away on 15th April 1965.

Dr. P. J. Thomas, a former Economic Adviser to the Government of India, and a Member of the Madras Legislative Council, passed away on 26th July 1965. He was nominated to the Legislative Council in 1937. He was also for some time a member of the Central Legislative Assembly.

On behalf of this House, I shall convey our deep sense of sorrow to the members of the bereaved families.

I now request Hon. Members to stand in silence for a minute as a mark of respect to the late Mr. W. K. M. Langley, Sri V. C. Palaniswamy Gounder and Dr. P. J. Thomas.

Accordingly all hon. Members stood in silence for a minute.